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SUBJECT: BURUNDI DEVELOPMENTS

1. ON FEBRUARY 20 MINFIN AND ECONOMY ANNOUNCED
ABROGATION OF DECREE RESERVING EXCLUSIVE IMPORT
PRIVILEGES OF BASIC COMMODITIES (SALT, SUGAR, MATCHES,
CEMENT, ETC.) TO IMPORTERS WHO ARE BURUNDI NATIONALS.
REASONS GIVEN FOR THIS MOVE WERE THAT STOCKS OF NATIONAL IMPORTS
FAILED TO MEET NEEDS OF COUNTRY. IN ADDITION, WHOLESALERS HAVE
BEEN SELLING IN BULK TO INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE NOT MERCHANTS AND WHO,
AUTHORITIES SUSPECT, FRAUDULENTLY RE-EXPORT GOODS.

2. COMMENT: ACCORDING EUROPEAN IMPORTERS, BURUNDI BUSINESSMEN
WERE NOT FINDING THEIR EXCLUSIVE IMPORTING CREDIT AND
SHIPPING ARRANGEMENTS.

3. GRB HAS APPROVED PROJECT TO CREATE SUGAR PRODUCING
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COMPLEX IN MOSSO REGION WHICH IS PLANNED TO SUBSTITUTE
LOCAL PRODUCTION FOR IMPORTS. PARASTATAL OFFICE WILL BE
ESTABLISHED TO ORGANIZE PRODUCTION, REFINING AND COMMERCIALI-
ZATION, OF CANE SUGAR. IT IS CONTEMPLATED THAT 14,000 TONS
PER YEAR OF SUGAR WILL BE PRODUCED BY 1990.

4. PRESIDENT BAGAZA IS CURRENTLY IN PROCESS OF VISITING

PROVINCIAL CAPITALS, MAKING CONTACT WITH GRASS ROOTS LEVEL
OF ADMINISTRATION AND THE POLITICAL PARTY UPRONA. WE UNDERSTAND
BAGAZA WANTS NEW PARTY LEADERSHIP TO BE CHOSEN BY PARTY
BASE THROUGH THE COUNTRY-WIDE ORGANIZATION. WHILE THIS IS
NOT BEING OSTENSIBLY MENTIONED IN PRESS REPORTS, IT UNDOUBTEDLY
FIGURES IN DISCUSSIONS.
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